

# ENGLISH MARTYRS PTFA

September 2016

## 2016 AGM Brief Report

Thank you to all of those children, parents, families and teachers that supported the PTFA events last year. We raised a total of **£5964** during the school year, hosting a variety of events. The money has all been given back to the school. Some of the items purchased include t-shirts for use whilst children are representing the school at sports events, Christmas presents and party food for all the children, a throne for the new outdoor reading area and classroom pets to name just a few.

We are sad to report that Bernadette Thompson has stepped down as chairperson after four years. She has worked extremely hard to organise and promote events, which without her determination and enthusiasm would not have been successful.

We would all like to thank her for her hard work and look forward to her advice and guidance for the coming year. Brian Fitzpatrick has also stepped down from his role as treasurer, a big thanks goes to Brian for keeping our books in order for the previous few years.

## YOUR PTFA

Clare Pheasant has taken over as chair for the coming year. Clare has two children attending the school, one in year 1 and one in year 3. You can normally catch her in the playground on a Thursday or Friday. Deana Spilletts will remain as secretary and Anita Smith has taken over as treasurer.

Other members include Ada Oliveira, Ann Roxborough, Bernadette Thompson, Elly Allen, John Stalker and Katarzyna Rzesutko to name but a few. There are many others who assist with events over the year. If you have any questions or fundraising ideas please let one of us know.



**Come join us at our indulgence and shopping evening. A perfect opportunity for everyone to treat themselves to a night of pampering.**

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

**Ticket information to follow soon.**

**Our next meeting will be held in the Red Lion on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2016 at 7.30pm. Please do come and join us if you can.**

## Challenges

We are very grateful for all those who support events but unfortunately it has become increasingly challenging to find enough people to assist with putting them on. We understand it is difficult for people to commit large chunks of time. If you feel you may be able to assist in some way, no matter how small please do get in touch.

We would love to have a pool of volunteers that we could contact in the run up to some of our larger events to seek support. If you feel this is something you can assist with then please do get in touch on [clare\\_pheasant@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:clare_pheasant@yahoo.co.uk) or grab me or one of the other PTFA member in the playground.



***Christmas Bazaar Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup>  
December 12pm-3pm***

## New members

The PTFA committee is a very small group of people and we would love it if more people wanted to join us. We meet three-four times a year to plan for events but it is also a chance to make new friends and socialise. Many of the members joined initially to meet other parents of the school. All of us want to work together with the school to offer support in whatever way we can.

## Dates for the Diary

**Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September - MacMillan Coffee afternoon 1-3.30pm: Church bungalow**

*Donations of cakes gratefully received.*

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> October - Year 5 & 6 film night - tickets on sale soon.**

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> November - Indulgence and shopping evening**



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